cti/ of the Bill as rather premature, in the absence of a law authorizing I cannot, therefore, agree to the principle of the Bill.

Row's motion was put to the vote and was carried by a majority.

Mr. Ananda Row.—I next beg to move that, considering the urgency of the t may be taken up for final consideration at this meeting, the ordinary rules of dure being suspended.

Seconded by Dr. Poonen.

Mr. P. Kesava Pillai.—I think that it will be more satisfactory to have the rst dealt with in Committee, as it affects all classes of people. Especially its sions regarding the farming of tolls require to be considered by a Committee. erefore, beg to move that the Bill be sent to a Select Committee for consideration report.

Seconded by Mr. Madhavan Tampy.

After some discussion, it was resolved by the Council that the motion for pending the rules be dropped and that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee.

Mr. Ananda Row then moved that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee nsisting of Messrs. A. J. Vieyra, S. Padmanabha Iyer, P. Kesava Pillai, P. K. Kesava Pillai and the Mover, for report within one month.

The motion was put and agreed to.

THE HIGH COURT REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Ananda Row.—Sir, before the Bill is finally passed, a date has to be fixed and inserted in Section 2, with effect from which all applications and references have to be disposed of in the manner provided in Section 1 of the Bill. Similarly, in Section 3, a date has to be fixed in regard to the disposal of appeals as provided in Section 13 of Regulation I of 1067 (as amended by Regulation I of 1086). I think that the 1st Mithunam 1087 may be fixed in both cases, and I propose that the words "14th June 1912" may be inserted between the words "on the" in line 2 and the ord "corresponding" in line 3, as also the words "1st Mithunam 1087" between e word "to the" in line 3 and the word "and" in line 4, in Section 2, and that a imilar amendment be made in Section 3 also.

Seconded by Mr. Krishnan Nair.

Carried.

Mr. Ananda Row.—I now propose that the Bill be finally read and

Seconded by Dr. Poonen.

Carried.

THE RUBBER THEFTS PREVENTION BILL.

Mr. Ananda Row.—Before this Bill too is finally passsd, a date has to be fixed commencement, and I propose that the words "the 1st Chingam 1088" may erted at the end of Clause (2) of Section 1.

Seconded by Mr. Padmanabha Iyer.

Carried.

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Mr. Ananda Row.—I move that the Bill be now finally read

Seconded by Dr. Poonen.

Carried.

THE TOWNS CONSERVANCY AND IMPROVEMENT REGULATI(AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Ananda Row.—Sir, at the last meeting of the Council, we consi the Select Committee's report on the amendments proposed to the Towns Conser and Improvement Regulation. But I then forgot to bring to the notice of the (cil another amendment, relating to Sections 36 and 37 of the Regulation. The n sity for this set of amendments was strongly felt, and brought to the notice of Government, by the Town Improvement Committee, Trivandrum. I shall br explain the circumstances. It will be noticed that some years back there v several fires in Trivandrum, and as a means of protection to houses whose roofs w made of non-inflammable materials, the provisions contained in Section 36 w enacted, but under this Section, the house-owner has the discretion to apply to Committee to renew his roof with non-inflammable materials. So far as t matter is concerned, I do not think that, in any Municipality in British India similar provision exists. The majority of the houses here are now made of non inflammable materials and a small minority alone are found to be made of inflam- mable materials. Besides, the present provision in Clause (c) of Section 36 is understood to mean that the Committee shall find funds for the renewal of the houses with non-inflammable materials. The Committees are unable to put the law into force, owing to the existence of the said Clause (c). I, therefore, beg to move that the rules of procedure may be suspended in view to the amendments to Sections 36 and 37 being incorporated in the Bill now pending before the Council.

Seconded by Mr. Krishnan Nair.

Copies of the memo of amendments were then distributed among the Members.

Mr. P. K. Kesava Pillai.—Sir, I think that this is a material amendmen requiring some consideration. There was no previous notice on the subject an there appears to be no necessity for hurrying this through the Council. I am n in favour of suspending the rules.

Mr. Madhavan Tampy.—I also think so.

Mr. P. Kesava Pillai.—I think that it will be better to adjourn this for consideration.

After some discussion, it was resolved by the Council that the proposed amendments be brought up for consideration at the final reading of the amending Bill, previous notice of the same being now given to the Members.

The Council adjourned at 1 P. M.

P. RAJAGOPALA CHARI,

President.

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